Testimony IN SUPPORT of HB 5290, An Act Sunsetting the Highway Use Tax

I would like to thank the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee for the opportunity to testify on behalf of HB 5290

Taxing heavier trucks to use the highways ends up affecting the lives of everyday residents, since the trucking companies end up passing the extra tax along to consumers. Everyday staples, like food and clothes, have gone up in price drastically over the last several years. Taxing trucks, while a seemingly good idea on paper--since their road use is more impactful and causes more damage, given the heavier nature of the trucks themselves--is not ideal in real life. It's not the companies that will ultimately pay the taxes; it's us, the citizens.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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